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FOR: A METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR DETERMINING WEIGHT  
AND POSITION OF A VEHICLE SEAT OCCUPANT

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Dear Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND IDENTIFICATION OF POTENTIAL  
INTERFERENCE UNDER 37 CFR 1.607

Please preliminarily amend the subject patent application as follows.

IN THE SPECIFICATIONPlease insert the following paragraph at page 1, line 7. A marked up version of  
these changes is attached at Appendix A.

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-- This application is a continuation of 09/548,485 filed on April 13, 2000,  
which is a continuation of 08/191,719 filed on November 12, 1998 now U.S. Patent No.  
6,070,115, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application Serial No.  
60/065,115 filed on November 12, 1997. --

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1-35 and add the following new claims.

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I hereby certify that the enclosed Amendment is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first-class mail, postage prepaid, in an envelope addressed to Assistant Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on this 16 th day of March, 2001.

  
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